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High school senior Vikki and her father Patrick Cann of Brentwood take a break during this weekend's S.O.A.R. sessions.

**Student Organizations**

## Sigma Alpha forms interest group at UTM

*Professional sorority offers opportunities for women in agriculture***Samantha Young**  
News Editor

The Office of Student Life announced the formation of several new student organizations this week, among these a group of women aspiring to become a chapter of Sigma Alpha.

Sigma Alpha is a national professional agriculture sorority with 60 chapters and more than 4,000 initiated members. According to Sigma Alpha's national Web site, the organization was formed at Ohio State University in 1978 as "an alternative to the social Greek sorority system."

"I always wanted to start an agriculture sorority on campus," group president Pamela Bartholomew, a senior Agriculture Education major from Decaturville, said.

Bartholomew said the impetus to start such a sorority came when the UTM chapter of Collegiate FFA attended the national FFA convention last fall. Sigma Alpha had a booth at the convention.

"We just started talking, and by this time last semester we had a letter back from [the national sorority]," Bartholomew said.

The group is currently considered a Sorority in Development chapter. While it is not and will not be a member of the Panhellenic Council, it will be participating in

**Founded**  
Founded in 1978  
at Ohio State University.**Undergraduate Membership**  
4,000+ in 2005**Active Chapters**  
Over 60 Nationally**Chapters in the Region**  
UT Knoxville  
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Murray State (Ky.)**Local Officers****President:**  
Pam Bartholomew  
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sorority rush in the fall.

Sigma Alpha does not allow dual membership in the organization and in a Panhellenic sorority.

Any woman with a sincere interest in agriculture, regardless of major, may join Sigma Alpha. However, a minimum of 70 percent of the group's membership must be agriculture majors.

SAMANTHA YOUNG / The Pacer  
The Army "Adventure Van" sits outside the UC, offering a multimedia presentation about the Reserve Officers' Training Corps for prospective students.SAMANTHA YOUNG / The Pacer  
High school students sit in on a seminar about opportunities with student organizations at UTM.

MATTHEW MAXEY / The Pacer

A 1986 Oldsmobile Cutlass belonging to UTM student Greg Peppard was one of the three vehicles damaged in the Martin Place parking lot Friday night, outside of the 700 building.

# Viewpoints

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## Editorial Board

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### Our View

## Editorial: WUTM should stay 'on the air' for the students

Nationally, high school and college stations are coming under attack from commercial operations that want to spread the scope of their audience.

Recently, Collegiate Broadcasters Inc. reported that numerous stations were losing broadcasting rights because of FCC rules that state that any station broadcasting fewer than 12 hours a day could be forced to share its frequency if a nearby station owner files a challenge to the license.

The rule has exceptions for school radio stations — "stations licensed to educational institutions are not required to operate on Saturday or Sunday or to observe the minimum operating requirements during those days designated on the official school calendar as vacation or recess periods."

During the academic year, WUTM 90.3 FM, "The Hawk" broadcasts from 8 a.m. to midnight Monday through Friday, but falls silent on the weekends. The station does

not broadcast, except for special circumstances, during the summer or breaks.

While we aren't legal analysts, we certainly don't want to share our frequency with another station. We call on the management of WUTM to look into this important issue, and safeguard our loaned airwaves.

**The Hawk falls silent even when students are still tuning in**

We suggest that WUTM consider broadcasting a feed from a local National Public Radio affiliate during the evening hours and during the breaks.

If there is one thing missing from the radio dial, it is quality news and information. Sure, our local radio stations have morning shows, but students seldom give two thoughts to what the Union City board voted on last night. We want to hear national news, sports and weather.

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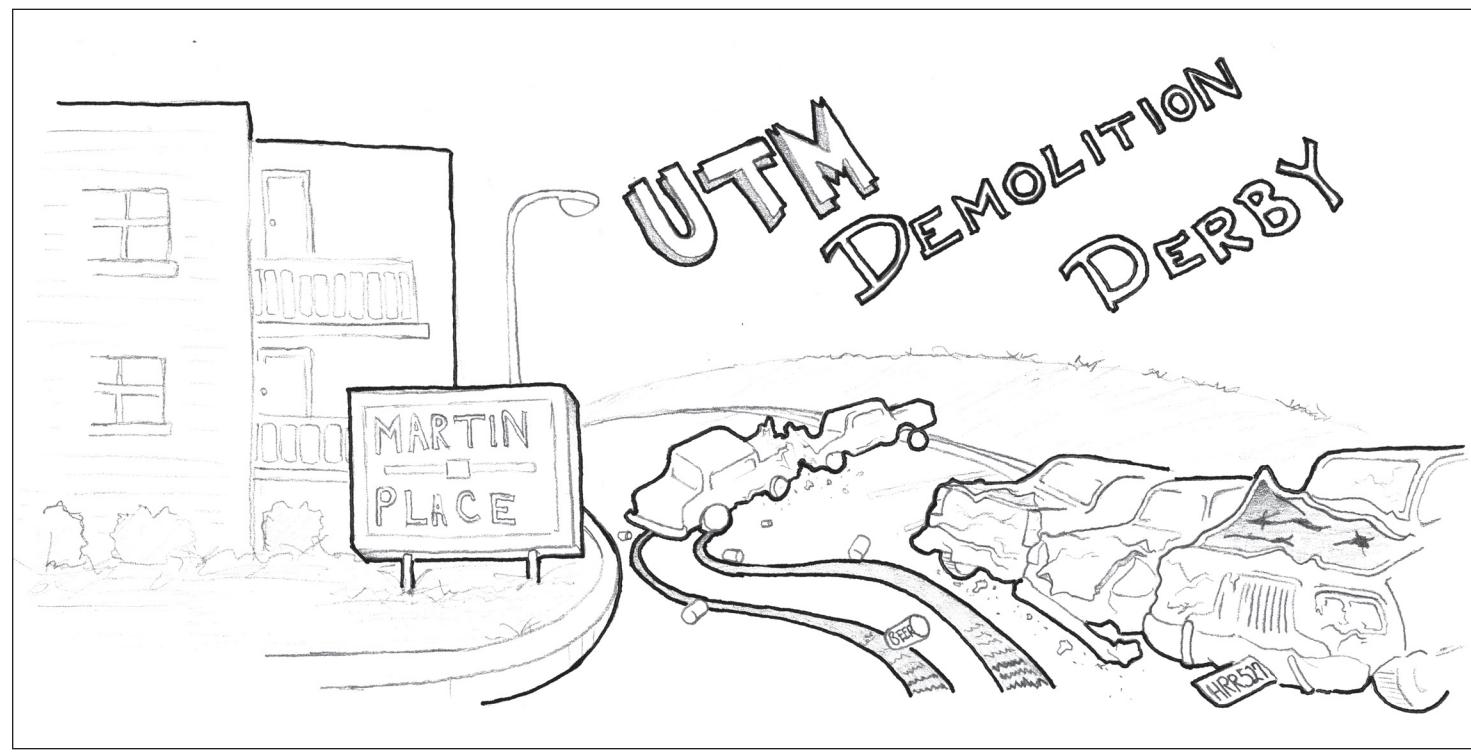
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## Letters to the Editor

### Taiwan exchange student a 'stranger' in America

I am originally from Taiwan, being here four years, currently living in Martin and the United States is a very different world through my eyes that sometimes I feel I am a stranger here.

In Taiwan, the four seasons (spring, summer, fall, and winter) are not so obvious, so people in Taiwan often say there are only two seasons in Taiwan: warm and warmer.

The United States, on the other hand, the flowers and trees are blossoming in the spring, summer is very scary for me because sometimes there are some run-for-your-life thunderstorms that rarely happen in Taiwan, leaves are falling in the fall, and white Christmas in winter especially in 2004.

I still remember the experience that the first time I met

the thunderstorm. I wasn't sure if I needed to rush to Browning Hall. There is a basement in Browning Hall that was supposed to be safe.

I was once told that whenever the storms stroke here, people lived on campus needed to go there. However, I decided to stay in my apartment and listen to the music since it was raining heavily. Three minutes later (not even the enough time for one song), the electricity went off. I did not know when it would be back on again. I couldn't do anything without the light I did not even have a candle. Then I started wondering if I should leave my apartment. After sitting on my couch for ten minutes, I decided to go to Browning Hall.

When I arrived at Browning Hall's basement, people were ready to leave and going

back homes. They said the warning was finished.

That was my first experience with the thunderstorm. I have the knowledge now that thunderstorms can cause serious damage and the next time I hear a thunderstorm warning, I will be running for my life.

**Cheng-ho Chen**  
Communications  
Taiwan

### Parking still too difficult at UTM, getting worse

Where are the new freshmen coming in next fall going to park? Parking on UTM's campus is utterly ridiculous. In order to find a parking space for class, you have to leave out almost an hour or more before your class starts to find a space. For commuters it is always a very limited number of spaces to

choose from. So, most of the time we end up parking on the side of the street near Grove Apartments, Bradley Bookstore, Micheal's and everywhere else that you don't even need a parking decal. So, what's the point in even buying one? Maybe one day you will luck up and find a parking space in the lot across the street by the football gym, or maybe on your birthday or something you can park in one of the lots we are assigned to. Please UT Martin find some kind of way to get some more commuter parking and non-commuter parking is not so hot either. Help a sister out. I do not mind walking far distances, but it would be nice to have a choice.

**April Jenkins**  
Communications  
Memphis

## Travel-study opportunities are worth the cost

We are living in a global economy now and we must embrace cultural differences in order to survive economically. I do not think that it matters where you take a job or in what field it is in, there is no avoiding a global society.

What you and I take for granted as being a cultural norm in the United States, someone in a different country might be deeply offended by. I think that if you do not take cultural differences into account, you and/or the business you work for will not succeed in the global economy.

I recently had the opportunity to go on a travel-study trip to France and England with Dr. Tom Payne from

the College of Business and Public Affairs. I did not actually know how different life was in France until our plane landed in Paris where we spent our first weekend. I had the opportunity to see things that I had only seen on TV before, like Le Tour Eiffel, Arc de Triomphe, and Le Louvre. The experiences I had were very enjoyable and I learned many lifelong lessons.

Most of our time was spent at the Universite de Orleans,

It was here that we took our International Finance course and got to interact with other students from around the world. I learned so much from the other students. Now I have contacts from different countries around the world. Our last weekend in Europe was spent in London, England. This part of the trip was also absolutely amazing.

I learned far more than what was taught in the Finance course on this travel study. Having never traveled outside the United States, it was hard for me to grasp how different things would really be. This is why I think it would benefit any student to go on a travel-study trip. Not all cultural differences

can be taught in a textbook. After this travel study, I also admire even more the international students who come here to study. It was very challenging to be in a new place where everything was totally different from what I am accustomed to.

Several scholarships and grants are available to help you with the cost of a travel-study trip. I personally received The Aspiring Women's Scholarship this year and a stipend from the International Study Grant that helped make my trip possible. If you have the chance, I recommend that you go on an international travel study.

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## Life beyond college begins soon

For the seniors at UTM, the real world is getting all too close.

Portfolios, job searches, resumes, applications, and interviews are becoming very familiar. Combined with the normal rigors of a semester ending, planning a graduation, and oh yes, a social life is supposed to fit in there somewhere, it's no wonder we don't find seniors passed out all over campus, just from the sheer stress of it all.

To top it off, although the economy is slowly improving, it's probably not the easiest time to find a job in the field you love. Don't give up hope though.

There are jobs out there. The trick is in knowing how to find them. Networking is going to be one of the best ways to find a job. Hopefully



Elaine  
Wilson  
Staff  
Columnist

in your time at UTM you've gotten to know people, both on campus and off, and have been working to get your name out there. Networking is a simple thing, but overlooked by students far too often, until reality hits them in the face. Finding a job is all about getting a foot in the door, no matter where that door may be.

Many students can't wait to move on and see the world, but many more limit themselves when they refuse to look beyond their own back door. Leave yourself open to all the possibilities out there,

and once you've gotten your foot in the door and some experience under your belt, then you can look to moving to a part of the country or world where you really want to live. Also, be open minded about working in a field unrelated to your major.

Many graduates find themselves working and loving jobs they had never previously considered. The entire world is open to you right now, and it may be the only time this will happen.

Don't panic and think that all the good jobs are flying past you while you're preparing for graduation. Believe in yourself. The best is yet to come.

So gather your things, cherished memories and college debt included, and explore the world, scary as that may seem.

## H.Y.P.E. brings Christians together



Jamilah  
Holloway  
Guest  
Columnist

Do you enjoy serving the Lord, meeting new people, and having fun? Well, if you do I know a ministry that is composed of all of the previous statements and much more. This ministry is entitled H.Y.P.E. Holy (Young People Empowered).

H.Y.P.E. is the mobile link of the 2 Timothy college ministry of Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church where Rev. Alvin J. Summers serves as Pastor.

H.Y.P.E. is a ministry open to any college and young adult person. It was established Fall 2003 by Pastor Alvin J. Summers and UTM student Minister Candice L. Lampkin. H.Y.P.E. includes the sub-ministries of Drama, Pantomime Dance, Choir, Poetry, Step, Rap, and Media. Also, H.Y.P.E. meets every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. at the Baptist Student Center to have bible study and every

them to live by the direction of the Holy Spirit.

One of the best ways we can reach the UTM campus and the entire Martin community is through the semester series of HYPE NITE. The 2004-2005 H.Y.P.E. theme: "A P.H.A.T. Purpose" (Praising Him Abundantly in Time & Talents). HYPE NITE IV is a staged dramatic/comedy production of college students struggling to find their purpose in life incorporating Dance, Step, Song, Poetry, and Rap!!!!

Our up coming event is the H.Y.P.E. Weekend Explosion which includes:

- HYPE NITE IV Friday, April 29th at 7p.m. at Southside Baptist Church
- P.H.A.T. Praise Rally Sunday, May 1st at 5p.m. in the Watkins Auditorium

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# news, briefly

## Coffey authors fourth book on war history

Tiffany Trice  
Staff Writer

Dr. David Coffey, interim chair of the Department of History and Philosophy has written and published his fourth book, *Sheridan's Lieutenants: Phil Sheridan, His Generals, and the Final Year of the Civil War*. This book was released earlier this month which tells the role of Union General Phillip Sheridan and the men under him during the last year of the Civil War and how he shaped the military after this war.

Coffey is no stranger to the book publishing world, his other three books include: *John Bell Hood and the Struggle for Atlanta* (1998), *Soldier Princess: The Life and Legend of Agnes Salm-Salm in North America, 1861-1867* (2002) and *The Encyclopedia of the Vietnam War and the Encyclopedia of American Military History*, in which he contributed eight historical reference works and is the associate editor of these three volume projects.



Coffey

Additionally, this Ft. Worth, Tx. native has chapters published in critically-acclaimed anthologies of Civil War and Mexican history.

"I love writing. I've been fortunate enough to have numerous opportunities to write and publish books and it's a great way to bring attention to the university, especially to the Department of History and Philosophy," said Coffey.

Dr. Coffey holds a Ph.D. from Texas Christian University. He is currently interim chair of the Department of History and Philosophy here at UTM, where he offers classes in U.S. military, Civil War, and Latin American history.

## Pageant, gala headline AKA Week celebrations

April Jenkins  
Ashley Hodges  
Staff Writers

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's Zeta Lambda Chapter held their annual Miss Essence Pageant on April 11, in the Watkins auditorium. This elegant and entertaining event displayed some of the most distinguished young ladies on this campus. The participants were Samantha Hunt, Erin Chambers, KomTeria Herndon, Ebony Holmes, Rukiya Campbell, Carmen Echols, LaDonna Braswell, Carmen Henderson, Terika Taylor, Delvestia Bond and T'Challa Pollard. The contestants ranged from sophomores to seniors and all performed exciting talents. The lovely ladies also modeled the latest trends in fashion and beauty. The contestants were all very sophisticated, poised and extremely confident. Lakesha Garner, a freshman biology major said, "They all did so well. I know the judges had a hard time deciding who would win." T'Challa Pollard and Rukiya Campbell

## 'Toughest of the Tough' to test students' endurance

Press Release

UTM's second annual "Toughest of the Tough" competition will be held at 4 p.m. on April 21 at Pacer Pond.

The competition will feature truck pull, tire flip, farmers' carry and other competi-

tions that test for strength and endurance.

Students and staff may enter as individuals or as teams of four, with teams consisting of at least one member of the opposite sex.

Entrance cost is \$10 per individual or \$20 per team.

## Pacer Bulletin Board

The Pacer provides this space free of charge to campus clubs and organizations that wish to promote events or offerings. Items to appear in The Pacer's "Bulletin Board" section must be submitted at least a week ahead of the event, either by e-mail to [pacer\\_news@mars.utm.edu](mailto:pacer_news@mars.utm.edu) or by dropping off a flier and press release to 314 Gooch Hall. Please note that submission does not necessarily guarantee printing. Call (731) 881-7780 for more information.

Perkins Loan Exit Interviews

Perkins Student Loans borrowers that are graduating and students not returning to UTM after the end of this semester must have an exit interview.

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Your rights, responsibilities, and loan forgiveness provisions will be explained.

Nursing Holds Speakers Series

Sigma Theta Tau and the UTM senior nursing class are sponsoring a series of speakers from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 25 in the Watkins Auditorium. The forum, "Excellence in Nursing through Practice, Scholarship and Research," is free to the public. Dr. Nancy Warren is keynoting the event.

**March Against Violence**

The "Take Back the Night" rally against domestic violence and abuse will be held at 7 p.m. tonight at the UC.

## Crews receives grant for computer, travel study

Heather Roland  
Staff Writer

Dr. Lionel Crews, UTM Assistant Professor of Physics, recently received a \$3,500 research grant from the American Astronomical Society.

After some deliberation, Crews has decided to focus the money in two areas. Crews will purchase a laptop computer, costing \$1,500, to be used to take and analyze astronomical data faster.

The remaining \$2,000 will be used for travel expenses to astronomical observatories from various places around the world.

Currently, Crews has put proposals in at four different observatories. Two of the observatories are in Chile, and the remaining two are in Hawaii and Arizona.

At these renowned observatories, Crews will continue a project he is doing with Dr. Tracy Huard, a post-doctoral

fellow at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. The project consists of studying the beginning stages of star and planet formation.

Crews will use special infrared telescopes to probe the structure of a star and measure the effects of stars caused by dust.

"It's a cutting-edge research project," Crews said. "It's a very important topic in astronomy today."

In studying the beginning stages of star and planet formation, Crews said greater knowledge can be inferred about the universe and how it develops and works.

In the past Crews has been able to take UTM students to astronomical observatories and national conventions. Crews added that if anyone wishes to participate in astronomy projects of this nature in the future to contact him.

## All-Sing benefits Jones, features Motown hits

### SigEp, Chi O win top honors

Tiffany Trice  
Staff Writer

The 44th annual Alpha Phi Omega All-Sing was held April 9 at 7 p.m. and featured many performances.

Chi Omega took first in the sorority division, while Sigma Phi Epsilon took first in the fraternity division and won "judges' favorite," which has traditionally been called "best of show."

All-Sing started out as Zeta Tau Alpha, wearing turquoise empire waist 50s style dresses, took the audience on a journey of heartbreak to love.

Then Alpha Delta Pi, wore red shirts with the All-Sing theme, really brought energy to the stage with hits such as "I Say a Little Prayer for You" and "I Will Survive."

Sigma Phi Epsilon really took the audience back with songs from artists such as The Temptations and Stevie Wonder.

Alpha Omicron Pi members with their glamorous, royal purple sequin tops and Chi Omega concluded the

event with two show stopping performances.

Each fraternity and sorority sang six or more Motown hits.

Chi Omega won first place in the sorority division with Motown hits such as "Reach Out, I'll Be There" and "(Your Love Has Lifted Me) Higher and Higher."

Alpha Omicron Pi won second place in the sorority division with chart-toppers such as "Just My Imagination" and "Midnight Train to Georgia."

The night wasn't just about competition though, the sororities and fraternities had a greater cause. All the proceeds from this event went to benefit Johnny Jones, a 1980 UTM graduate and former editor of *The Fulton Leader*.

Jones suffered a brain aneurysm in the fall of 2004, which required intensive therapy sessions to help him function at a normal level. Jones is doing well in his recovery, and he and his family were present at All-Sing to accept a \$3,000 check that will help him receive six more months of the therapy he needs.

Jones and his wife said a few words in appreciation for the hard work and efforts of all of the participating fra-



MATT MAXEY / The Pacer

Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon perform during the Alpha Phi Alpha All-Sing. SigEp placed first in the fraternity division and won judges' favorite.

ternities and sororities.

"I enjoyed it a lot. The whole purpose of tonight was very commendable that the fraternities, sororities, alumni and the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity decided to serve," said John Carlton, a UTM student.

The night was full of performances and presentations.

Allen "Joey" Croom of Martin, a UTM student received the Beth Maloan Student Employee of the Year Award.

Croom was presented a \$150 check and a plaque on his very commendable student worker ethics in the College

of Business and Public Affairs. Also a local rock band, "Seventh Divine" performed some of their songs while the judges tallied up the results.

Alpha Phi Omega is a national, co-educational service fraternity that sets the standard for campus based volunteerism. Since the fraternity's founding on December 16, 1925, more than 17,000 students at approximately 350 colleges and universities have been members of the organization.

## Student Government inaugurates new leaders

Stephanie Ryan  
Staff Writer

Members of UTM's winning political party, Effective Connections, as well as senators, were sworn into office during the Student Government Association's inauguration Thursday.

The event, which took place in the UC, brought the newly-elected officers together to promise to "support and defend the needs, concerns and general welfare of the student body" of UTM, according to the oath.

Liz Craig, outgoing Vice President, opened the meeting by thanking outgoing members of the organization and congratulating the win-



**SGA**  
Student Government Association

ners of the elections, noting that the inauguration is a "very momentous event."

After the brief swearing-in of the senators, the newly-elected Vice President, Rachel Hammond, and Secretary General Rachel Mansfield, also newly elected, each thanked SGA members and expressed excitement about the coming year.

President James Orr mo-

tivated the new officers to fight for the student body of UTM while stressing the importance of positive changes around campus.

"Last year's EC [Executive Council] laid a great foundation. Make no mistake about it, we're gonna fight for the students, reinforce things that are positive for our campus and come together as a team to be proactive and

serve students first," Orr said.

Orr plans to lead a more student-oriented SGA next year by forming an advisory council to meet with various organizations and find out how they can help, as well as being highly involved with activities such as Freshman Week and Diversity Week.

The most important thing, he said, is allowing every student to have a voice and influence in what goes on around campus.

"While I know being SGA president will be very time-consuming, I know it will be well worth it," Orr said.

The last SGA meeting of the year will be April 28 in the legislative chambers.

The Pacer's staff writer meetings will be held at 5:15 p.m. Tuesdays in 316 Gooch.



Nursing Holds Speakers Series

Sigma Theta Tau and the UTM senior nursing class are sponsoring a series of speakers from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 25 in the Watkins Auditorium. The forum, "Excellence in Nursing through Practice, Scholarship and Research," is free to the public. Dr. Nancy Warren is keynoting the event.

**March Against Violence**

The "Take Back the Night" rally against domestic violence and abuse will be held at 7 p.m. tonight at the UC.

Vanguard Theatre's Student Directors' Showcase

UTM's performing arts outlet is hosting one act plays written by students at 8 p.m. on April 29-30 in the Lab Theatre (Fine Arts 127). Plays include "Home Free," "Wanda's Visit," "Elegy for a Lady," "Thank You, Doctor," "The Author's Voice" and "The Great Nebula in Orion." Admission is free.

**'Gridiron Grillout'**

Sodexho and Skyhawk Athletics are hosting a pre-game picnic before a football scrimmage from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on April 21 at the Hardy Graham Stadium. The grillout will be covered by Sodexho meal plans.

**Art Exhibit and Pizza**

Brett Skelton and Michael Piazza will present "Arty Tomato," an art exhibit at 7 p.m. tonight at Snappy Tomato's Pizza. All you can eat pizza is \$3.99.

Upcoming Campus Interviews

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**CARGILL AGHORIZONS** - Thursday, April 21

Positions: Farm Service Center Manager Trainee.

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**HOMEGUARD**

Positions: Summer Internship Representative.

Degree: Marketing, Business, Public Relations, Sales.

Locations: Nashville

For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Employment Information Services, UC 215.

## IFC Recruitment Officer arrested on alcohol, disorderly conduct charges

Kevin Teets  
Senior Reporter

Interfraternity Council (IFC) Recruitment Officer, Brandon Niblock, was arrested Saturday night on charges of disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

According to the Martin Police Department, Officer Nicholas Glenn was at the National Guard Armory and first approached Niblock in reference to being in violation of the open container law. Glenn also concluded that Niblock was intoxicated to a point that would not be safe for him to be left on his own. The police report states that Niblock admitted freely to being in such a condition.

The report further states that Niblock then became verbally abusive with Officer Glenn by raising his voice to a level that was disruptive to the people that were obeying the law at the armory. Niblock was then arrested



**Niblock**

on charges of disorderly conduct and public intoxication. He was jailed at the Weakley County Detention Center and later posted a bond amount of \$1,000.

According to the IFC by-laws, Niblock's responsibilities as the recruitment officer for IFC includes the execution of recruitment events each semester for IFC and presiding over meetings with the recruitment committee. In addition to being an IFC officer, Niblock is also the Vice President of his fraternity, Kappa Alpha Order.

The Pacer asked Greek Life Coordinator, Louis Ragsdale, whether Niblock would be

removed from the position of IFC recruitment officer. Ragsdale gave no indication as to how the matter would be handled, saying that this was the first time he had heard of Niblock being arrested and that public intoxication charges were usually handled by the Office of Student Affairs.

IFC President Tony Beal told The Pacer that they were not releasing any information until they had more details. "At this moment we are investigating the situation. We have no further comment until all facts can be brought in front of the IFC Executive Council," Beal said.

The Pacer has also learned that Kappa Alpha Order had rented out the armory for a party the same night that Niblock was arrested.

Niblock was arraigned in Weakley County General Sessions Court on Monday and has a preliminary hearing set on May 18.

## Police Report

### 2:39 p.m., April 11 Skyhawk Fieldhouse

A lock in the men's bathroom was reported damaged.

### 8:18 a.m., April 12 Lot 1, Stadium

A vehicle was towed for an excessive number of parking tickets.

### 11:43 a.m., April 12 University Street

A motorist was issued a citation for failure to yield to the right-of-way, and was referred to Martin City Court.

### 1:15 p.m., April 12 Lot 1, Stadium

A vehicle was towed for an excessive number of parking tickets.

### 4:20 p.m., April 12 Humanities Building

Two subjects were having difficulty breathing, both related to prior medical problems. Both were treated at the scene and transported to the hospital by EMS.

### 5:18 p.m., April 12 Boling University Center

A subject reporter the theft of their backpack. Investigation continues.

### 11:58 p.m., April 12 McCord Hall

A subject was issued a misdemeanor citation for the theft of a fire extinguisher and was

referred to General Sessions Court.

### 10:50 a.m., April 13 On Campus

An employee reported the loss of some University keys.

### 11:24 a.m., April 13 University Center

A subject reported feeling faint and was transported to Student Health.

### 11:48 a.m., April 13 Humanities Building

An employee reported the loss of some University keys. The report is on file.

### 1:04 p.m., April 13 Off Campus

A motorist was issued a citation for failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk and was referred to Martin City Court.

### 2:35 p.m., April 13 Football Building

A traffic accident occurred involving two vehicles. The report is on file.

### 12:24 a.m., April 14 Ellington Hall

A subject reported to be feeling faint and was transported to the hospital.

### 1:41 p.m., April 14 Gooch Hall

A subject reported to

have tripped and fallen, suffering injuries. The subject was treated at the scene by EMS.

### 2:19 p.m., April 14 University Center

A subject reported vandalism to their vehicle. Investigation continues.

### 1:05 p.m., April 14 Elam Center

A student was arrested for Disorderly Conduct and Resisting Arrest and was jailed at Weakley County Sheriff's Office. Another subject was issued misdemeanor citations for disorderly conduct, criminal trespass and simple possession of marijuana and was referred to General Sessions Court.

### 1:12 a.m., April 15 Crisp Hall

A subject reported receiving harassing phone calls. The caller was identified and the subject did not want to press charges. Incident referred to Student Affairs.

### 1:14 a.m., April 15 Crisp Hall

A subject reported vandalism to their vehicle. Investigation continues.

## Two arrested after AKA pool party

Will York  
Asst. News Editor

Two males were arrested last Thursday after causing a disturbance at the Elam Center after the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority pool party.

When police arrived on the scene at 11:05 p.m., they found a group of males yelling and threatening a fight with another group.

After officers told the group to disperse, Adam Savage, 23, continued to yell and attempted to start a confrontation.

Officers said Savage had an odor similar to alcohol emanating from his person.

Savage refused to give officers his identification six times and then began screaming obscenities at officers.

Officers then tried to handcuff Savage, but he fought back as he continued to shout obscenities at officers.

Martin was arrested at the scene for disorderly conduct. According to Public Safety, during a routine search of Martin's person, officers found a plastic bag containing a "green, leafy plant-like material believed to be marijuana" in his right front pants pocket.

Martin was permanently banned from the UTM campus on April 2, 2001.

Martin was charged with disorderly conduct, simple possession of a Schedule VI controlled substance and criminal trespass.

Savage and Martin were both referred to Weakley County General Sessions Court.

## 'Senior Walk' comes to UTM graduation

Amy Eddings  
Sports Editor

UTM is starting a new tradition for graduating seniors this semester. The first ever "UTM Grand Finale Celebration and Senior Walk" will be held on May 4, 2005.

The celebration will start at noon with a picnic luncheon in the quad which is to be followed by the "Senior Walk." According to Chancellor Nick Dunagan, the walk is a chance for graduates to have a time of reflection as they take one of their last strolls around campus. All students and faculty members are invited to come watch and use noisemakers, signs and other non-destructive items to say goodbye. The alma mater will be played and the walkway will be lined with blue, orange and white flags to mark the path.

"The grand finale is a picnic lunch free for all the graduating seniors (spring and summer)," said Charlie Deal, director of alumni relations. "The walk will start at 1:30 and any and everybody is invited to join as we form a solid passage way from the picnic area to the Elam Center at 2 p.m.

The picnic area is going to be behind Crisp Hall and we will line the walk down in front of Brehem Hall and shoot across to the Elam center from there. There will be a live web cast at [www.utmforever.com](http://www.utmforever.com) so family and friends can watch."

During the picnic, graduates will be eligible to win several door prizes; the most coveted being the seven day, six night vacation to one of 1,500 resort locations. Possible destinations can be found at [www.alumnitravelbenefits.com](http://www.alumnitravelbenefits.com). The other two large

prizes being given away are a 2005 class ring from Balfour and a diploma frame, both worth over \$100.

"I'm mainly going because practice is right afterwards," said Isaac Sorrell, a communications major from Ripley, "but it is a good chance for everyone to be together one last time."

Chris Burgin, a May 2004 graduate wishes that something like the celebration had been in place when he graduated.

"Honestly, it was instantaneous. As soon as graduation was over, it was done," said Burgin. "You're there and then bam, you're done. It would have been nice to have a farewell event. It sounds like a great way to see everyone together and be with the friends you went through college with."

## SAC Poetry Slam

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## After finals, why leave Tennessee?

**There are many fun filled attractions and sites to see from theme parks to white water rafting right here.**

Theresa A. Oliver  
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Planning that summer vacation after finals are over? Why leave the state when Tennessee has so much to offer residents and visitors alike? Yes, Tennessee has something for everyone: from white water rafting to theme and amusement parks, museums, historical sites and some of the best state and national parks in the country. Below are just a few sites you may want to put on your list of places to go this summer.

Among the best Tennessee amusement and theme parks is Dollywood, located in Pigeon Forge, Tenn., offering live music, rides and crafts and is one of the top 50 most visited theme parks in the country today.

Libertyland Amusement Park, located in Memphis, Tenn., has over 20 high speed thrill rides, a gaming area and offers carnival-style food at restaurants and stands located throughout the park. Libertyland is also host to *Spirit!*, a musical celebration of our unity as a nation and of our diverse population.

Ober Gatlinburg Ski Resort and Amusement Park, located in Gatlinburg, Tenn., is a mountaintop ski resort theme park with fun, excitement and great shopping for everyone.

Splash Country Water Adventure Park, located in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. contains white water adventures, waterfalls, winding streams and many rides from "wild to mild."

Tennessee natural and educational attractions include Adventure Science Center, located in Nashville, Tenn., featuring exhibits depicting Hollywood's horror movies, where monsters convey the power of the atom, learn about light from the Prince of Darkness, energy from the Wolf Man, conservation from the Mummy and electricity from Frankenstein.

A Walk in the Woods, located in Gatlinburg, Tenn., features guided trips through the Smoky Mountains

National Park, designed to make your stay as enjoyable as possible while teaching natural history.

Rock City, located in Chattanooga, Tenn., high on the top of Lookout Mountain, offers the world-famous Lover's Leap, 140-foot high falls and over 400 species of flowers, plants and shrubs. Enjoy being one with nature while walking through splendid gardens and woodland paths.

Ruby Falls, located in Chattanooga, Tenn., is one of the nation's natural wonders and one of Chattanooga's most famous attractions. Ruby Falls is a 145-foot high waterfall located inside historic Lookout Mountain and also features caves and caverns.

The Lost Sea, located in Sweetwater, Tenn., is the world's largest underground lake and is part of an extensive cave system known as Craighead Caverns.

Tennessee also offers many historical musical entertainment sites which include the world-famous Beale Street, located in Memphis, Tenn. and is the home of Blues and the birthplace of rock 'n' roll and offers a carnival atmosphere with great food and fun for all.

The Country Music Hall of Fame, located in Nashville, Tennessee's Music Row, is a \$37 million structure exhibiting the best performers in country music.

The Dixie Stampede, located in Pigeon Forge, Tenn., features 32 horses and dozens of cast members in a 35,000 square-foot arena, proving to be one of Tennessee's finest sites in down home entertainment. Dolly Parton created the Dixie Stampede in hope of recreating the family fun of her childhood when family and friends gathered for friendly competitions and to enjoy great food.

Graceland, located in Memphis, Tenn., is the world-famous home of Elvis Presley, features little-known facts about the entertainer, photos, exhibits and many of Presley's gold and platinum albums and performance costumes.



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Courtesy of bealestreet.com

water rafting including the Appalachian Outdoors Whitewater Rafting, located in Hartford, Tenn., where visitors can raft the Upper Pigeon River, some of the best white water in Tennessee. The longest trip on the river is 6.4 miles of white water fun, containing classes of II through IV level rapids. However, for the more conservative rafter, the park also offers a four mile trip on the Lower Pigeon River with class I and II level rapids.

Rafting in the Smokies, located in Gatlinburg, Hartford and Benton, Tenn., offers many whitewater rafting trips while monitoring and keeping in contact between the Big Pigeon, Ocoee and Nantahala River Outposts, creating a safe whitewater rafting experience.

Another whitewater rafting company is 5 Rivers Adventures-Whitewater Rafting, located in Cosby, Tenn.. It is family owned and operated in the heart of the Smoky Mountains along the Pigeon River and is the closest whitewater rafting adventure to Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge.

So whether you like entertainment and adventure parks, music or whitewater rafting, Tennessee has something to offer for everyone.

The above information and more is located at [www.tennesseehosts.com](http://www.tennesseehosts.com).

the best in country music entertainment, comedy and pageantry with a connection between artists and audience like no other in the world.

The Nashville Symphony, located in Nashville, Tenn., features more than 200 performances annually in Classical, Pops, Pied Piper and Summer series concerts and has long since been considered one of Tennessee's "cornerstone of performing arts."

Tennessee also offers many National and State Parks including the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Located in Gatlinburg, Tenn., it is the largest national park in the East, featuring over one-half million acres, auto tours of the park and over 270 miles of scenic Smoky Mountain roads.

Fort Donelson National Battlefield, located in Dover, Tenn., features Fort Donelson National Cemetery, the final resting place of many Union soldiers killed in the Civil War and many other American veterans representing over seven wars. Fort Donelson and the Dover Hotel, where Confederate General Simon B. Buckner surrendered to Ulysses S. Grant, can also be found there.

Tennessee also offers many locations for white-

This summer enjoy whitewater rafting at (top) Appalachian Outdoors Whitewater Rafting located in Cosby, world famous Beale Street in Memphis, Splash Country Water Adventure Park in Pigeon Forge, the Dixie Stampede located in Pigeon Forge, Ober Gatlinburg Ski Resort in Gatlinburg and Graceland located in Memphis, all great places to spend the summer in Tennessee.

The Grand Ole Opry, located in Nashville, Tenn., offers

## Sigma Tau Delta and the UTM English Society hosted Angels in America reading for AIDS awareness

Sara Beaver  
Staff Writer

Sigma Tau Delta took the stage Tues., April 12, when UTM's English Honors' Society hosted a free live, dramatic reading of Tony Kushner's 1993 Pulitzer Prize-winning play *Angels in America: A Gay Fantasia on National Themes*.

Five readers undertook specified selections from Part I: Millennium Approaches, the first component of the two-part drama, in the Humanities Auditorium as part of Allies Week here on campus.

Dr. Leslie LaChance articulated in her introduction to the reading that Kushner's work is unique and significant.

Relationships between

these characters and others progress as supernatural elements and societal barriers continue to enter, interrupt and pose questioning in the brutal reality of their lives.

The overall selected scenes portray several conflicted characters dealing with issues relevant to today's society. Religion, homosexuality, discrimination, disease, life vs. death and the afterlife are few of the themes Kushner puts forth with the drama.

Students, faculty, and the UTM community experienced a scholarly performance by readers Phillip Gordon, Tonya Parham, Tammy Prater, Brian Stiles and Alison Caldwell.

"Hearing the dramatic

reading of the play make me want to go out and either finish reading the play and/or watch the film version. Overall, the participants did a great job with the reading," said senior Biology/Nursing major Sona Patel.

Sigma Tau Delta members expressed their enthusiasm for the play and reflected on the good audience turnout for the event.

"Sigma Tau Delta has been wanting to stage a dramatic reading and decided to do this live reading after hearing expression of enthusiasm in the play from other students. *Angels in America* is a positive reflection of national themes," said Brian Stiles, a senior English major and Sigma Tau Delta mem-

ber.

Expanding on Brian's comment, Tonya Parham, a senior English/History major, Sigma Tau Delta member and another reader said, "The play expresses relevant issues with national themes."

The society's faculty sponsor Allison Caldwell said, "The reading is a good way to raise awareness about Sigma Tau Delta on this campus and an opportunity for the society to become active by giving something to the UTM community."

The presentation is also part of Allies week. Sigma Tau Delta wishes to produce more events like this one and become more active in the fall.

## Eckford, Jackson give winning performance at junior recital

Erica Jacobs  
Staff Writer

The junior recital performed by Jason B. Eckford, euphonium and Lantonio Jackson, tuba, was held Sun., April 17, 2005, in the Harriett Fulton Theatre.

The recital started off with Eckford playing "Rhapsody for Euphonium." Linda

Farmer, who played the piano throughout the recital, accompanied Eckford and Jackson.

Jason Eckford is from Jackson, Tenn. and has been playing the euphonium since the sixth grade. "My instructor picked these pieces and I have been working on them since the beginning of the semester," said Eckford.

Upon graduating from UT Martin with a bachelor's in Music Education, Eckford plans to attend graduate school.

Lantonio Jackson, a Music Education major, is also from Jackson, Tenn. He has been playing the tuba for the past seven years. "I want to be a high school band director after I graduate," said

Jackson.

The recital entailed a mixture of pieces. From a sweet, lulling tune to a loud and boisterous piece of music, captivating the audiences' attention. The last two pieces of the recital, Dance and Benediction, were played by a quartet. Kevin Ward, euphonium and Tony Ison, tuba, joined Eckford and

Jackson to end the concert with a grand finale.

"I loved it," said Jenny Cooper, an instrumental music major. "I know all four of the guys that performed today and they did a great job. There were some really hard pieces and they performed it well."



### Upcoming Movies:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20  
THE COOKOUT AT 9 PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 22  
BIRTH AT 10 PM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27  
ELEKTRA AT 9 PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 29  
BLADE TRINITY AT 10 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4  
SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS:  
THE MOVIE AT 9 PM

All movies are free and are shown in the UC Watkins Auditorium.

Free Popcorn

# Sahara: You won't desert this one!

**Rachel Rogers**  
Assistant A & E Editor

It's the end of the Civil War. The last Southern ironclad is being loaded with boxes owned by the Confederacy to make one last, heroic run through a Union blockade. As bombs explode around the massive ship, it sails into the night and the stage is set for one of the most exciting adventures of the year.

Cut to modern day Egypt. A group of scientists and doctors from the World Health Organization are investigating what they believe to be a plague. Dr. Eva Rojas, played by Penelope Cruz, is determined to discover the cause of this strange sickness and begins to investigate. In doing so, she attracts the attention of some very unsavory characters and is attacked while at a lighthouse on the beach.

Enter Dirk Pitt, played by Matthew McConaughey. While out on the water, he sees the attack and saves Eva. When Eva awakes, she finds herself on a boat filled with men and equipment and she can't find her savior. At least not until a crane has lifted something from the water. It happens to be a sarcophagus of an ancient Egyptian pharaoh. Standing on top is the man who saved her life.

Dirk, along with his side-kick Al Gordino, played by Steve Zahn, are part of an organization known as NUMA, which is short for the National Underwater and

Marine Agency, which is made up of a group of treasure hunters who spend their time salvaging shipwrecks for ancient treasures. They are backed by museums and private collectors. The organization is headed by Admiral James Sandrecker, played by William H. Macy.

While in Lagos, Dirk finds an ancient gold coin that happens to be a piece of Confederate gold, one of only five samples ever made by Jefferson Davis in the days of the Confederate States of America. When asked why the coin is so special, Dirk tells of his obsession with an old ironclad that supposedly is buried in the Sahara desert. Since the coin was found in that region, he asks for permission to go and search for it. After much debate, Sandrecker finally agrees to let Pitt, Gordino and their friend Rudi Gunn take his boat and gives them 72 hours to find this legendary ironclad.

Meanwhile, Rojas and her partner Dr. Frank Hopper have discovered that the source of the disease is somewhere in Mali, a country torn apart by civil war and ruled by a ruthless warlord. They finally get permission to enter the country, but they soon realize that it could be a mistake that will cost their lives.

Soon, Rojas and Pitt find themselves thrown together as they fight the evil General Kazim and attempt to find both the source of the myster-

## Sahara

Rated: PG-13  
Director: Breck Eisner  
Paramount Pictures

★★★★★ out of five



William H. Macy and Matthew McConaughey star in *Sahara*, a Paramount Pictures release.

rious plague and the location of the fabled Ship of Death.

*Sahara* is based on the best-selling novel by Clive Cussler. Fans of the book might be disappointed in some of the events from the book that have been cut from the movie due to time constraints, but it still does a

wonderful job of portraying the characters and the general concept of the book.

It is a wonderful adventure movie, filled with explosions, intense action and a little romance. This is definitely one movie you don't want to miss!

## Learn more about yourself and *The 10 Women You Will be Before You are 35*

**Rachel Rogers**  
Assistant A & E Editor

What kind of woman are you? Are you the New Graduate, out in the real world for the first time? Or maybe you're a Chameleon, trying everything possible to make that new boyfriend love you even more? If you're not sure, but would like to find out, then check out Alison James's *The 10 Women You'll Be Before You're 35*.

In her second book dealing with relationships, James lists ten different phases that a woman will more than likely go through before she turns 35: the New Graduate, the Dollarless Diva, the Worker Bee, the Party Girl, the Body-Conscious Babe, the Chameleon, the Crisis Chick, Ms. Independence, Whirl (half woman/half girl) and True You. She also goes into detail about what characterizes each phase, how you can overcome any obstacles, tips on making it the best possible and advice from real life people.

This book is a hilarious read and it makes you look at yourself. As you read through each section, you find things that you did while in that phase and laugh at the fond memories you have of it, or you read something that may signal to you that you're going through a phase now that

you weren't aware of. For example, characteristics of a Chameleon is that, after the girl begins a new relationship, she may hate rap music, but she'll listen to it all day because it's her beau's favorite music. Or a Worker Bee may come in to work, even though she feels like she's dying, simply because she's afraid of taking time off.

While the book is not strictly relationship oriented, you will find a lot of useful tips about men. Such as, in the Party Girl section, you'll discover that you can learn a lot about a man simply by what drinks. Or, in the Chameleon phase, you can learn if a guy is too demanding of you and if you should ditch him for good.

The book attempts to help you make it through each of the phases until you reach the most important one of all, the True You. It teaches you that there is an end in sight and that you don't have to go on being the Dollarless Diva forever. Or that you don't have to work every day of the week without breaks. It also teaches you to look back and fondly recall the memories of your time in each phase.

I would definitely recommend this book, especially if you are a New Graduate. Who knows? You may even learn a few things about yourself!

# The Ring Two: Worth your money and your fear

**Tabatha Thurman**  
Staff Writer

Sometimes it can be extremely hard to find a really good scary movie that will actually have you jumping in your seat. *The Ring Two* has some scary parts that will make you want to cover your eyes, but *The Ring* was actually more intense than *The Ring Two*.

In *The Ring*, the infamous video which portrayed parts of the life of a girl by the name of Samara claimed the lives of several people. *The Ring Two* involves the eerie twist of Samara actually wanting to be Aidan, a little boy played by Simon Baker.

Rachel Keller, played by Naomi Watts, and her son Aidan move to a new town called Astoria, which is located in Oregon, in hope that the horror of Samara and the video were over. However, much to their surprise, Samara has managed to find them. Rachel hears this news through a murder that takes place which seems very familiar. Rachel is then on a mission to find the videotape in hope of destroying it and moving on with her life. Instead, Samara wants to take over Aidan's body and live again.

Rachel then has to figure out a way to save her son, who is becoming extremely ill because Samara is gradually claiming his body and filling his head with her thoughts and reactions.

Rachel tries to figure out this grueling secret of Samara's and her motives by visiting Samara's mother. Never did Rachel think that she would have to kill her own son to rid his body of the ghost of Samara. Much to Rachel's surprise, she finds out that her son isn't the first child that Samara has attempted to take over.



Naomi Watts and David Dorfman star in Dream Works Picture's *The Ring Two* currently in theaters.

## The Ring 2

Rated: PG-13  
Director: Hideo Nakata  
Dream Works Pictures

★★★★★ out of five

Because Samara is afraid of water, Rachel ends up having to drown her son in the bathtub in order to save him. The cast of *The Ring Two* includes Naomi Watts, David Porfman, Simon

Baker, Elizabeth Perkins and Sissy Spacek and is directed by Hideo Nakata with Dreamworks Pictures.

Overall, *The Ring Two* is worth your money and your fear.

# Considering a career in healthcare?

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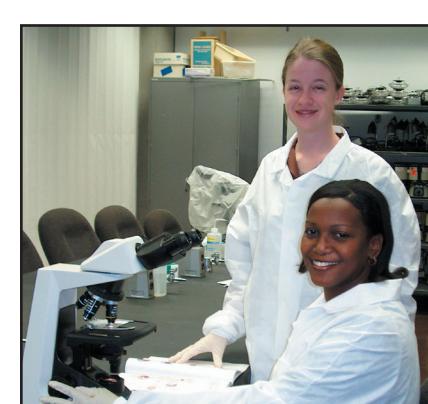
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## Skyhawk women win OVC Championship

*Tennis wins first Ohio Valley title since '95, first school conference championship since '02*

**Joe Lofaro**  
Sports Information Director

Skyhawk tennis coach Dennis Taylor said his women's team went on a mission a year ago and it ended today with the O'Reilly Ohio Valley Conference Tennis Tournament Championship at Centennial Sportsplex in Nashville.

The Skyhawks, seeded No. 1 in the tournament with an unblemished 9-0 regular season record, claimed a 4-3 victory over their biggest conference rival No. 2 seeded Murray State.

The OVC championship is the third for Taylor and Tennessee-Martin's women. The Skyhawks claimed OVC titles in 1994 and 1995.

The championship came down to the No. 5 singles match where Skyhawk junior Jeanne de Wet defeated Murray State's Casady Pruitt 3-6, 6-4, 7-5.

"It was rough," de Wet said. "I did what I had to do."

De Wet lost the first set, but came back to win the second set 6-4.

"I realized toward the end of the second set that this was it," she said. "This was the championship and it was up to me."

De Wet jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the third set, but Pruitt battled back to tie the set at 4-4. De Wet took the lead again at 5-4, but once again Pruitt knotted it at 5-5. Finally, de Wet went up 6-5 and won the set, match and championship on the serve.

"It turned out all right," de Wet said.

Things also turned out all right for the Skyhawks in doubles.

Senior Sari Nortje and Katrina Domela defeated Jacelyn Leeper and Anna Lask 8-4 in the No. 2 doubles

match, while Gayatri Ramesh and de Wet won 8-2 in the No. 3 doubles match.

The two victories gave the Skyhawks a one-point lead going into the singles action.

Nortje suffered her first loss of the season at No. 1 singles. Murray State's Anna Lask beat the OVC's Player of the Year 6-1, 6-3.

"The girl (Lask) was so psyched up," Nortje said. "Every time she won a point, you thought she won the match. It was very intense, but winning the championship feels better than last year."

Nortje's reference to last year's heart-breaking loss in the championship to Samford served as the motivation for this year's Skyhawk success. The loss also marked the beginning of the mission.

"Our girls deserve this," Taylor said. "It was a tough fight all year and it goes back to last year."

While the championship hinged on the outcome of de Wet's match, Taylor said the undefeated conference run and the tournament title were the results of the entire team.

"It took everybody from the trainer on up for us to win."

Murray State also claimed a win at No. 2 and No. 4 singles. At No. 3 singles, senior Ely Shearman defeated Murray State's Jennifer Ward 6-2, 6-4 and at No. 6 singles, freshman Elizma Schoonees defeated Murray State's Christina Hall 6-2, 6-3.

Along with the tournament championship and the automatic berth in the NCAA regional next month, the Skyhawks placed three players, Nortje, Domela and Schoonees, on the All-OVC first



GARY RICHARDSON

**Ely Shearman returns a serve during last weekend's OVC tennis championship tournament. The women's tennis picked up both the regular season and tournament titles this year.**

team.

Shearman was named to the all-conference's second team and Taylor was named the Coach of the Year.

Nortje was named the OVC's Player

of the Year.

"The award came as a complete surprise," Nortje said. "It hasn't sunk in yet."

## Men finish third, women fourth in UTM rodeo, lead Ozark region

UTM Sports Information

The University of Tennessee at Martin rodeo team got a wake-up call this past weekend in the Ned McWherter Agricultural Complex and it came just in time according to head coach John Luthi.

The Skyhawk men's team finished third in the team standings with 250 points this past weekend in its home rodeo.

Arkansas-Monticello claimed the top team honors with 270 points, while West Alabama was second with 255 points.

Although the third-place finish won't hurt UTM in the Ozark Region standings, Luthi said the team needs to make some improvements with two rodeos remaining this year if it wants to win the region again and claim an automatic berth in the College National Finals Rodeo set for June in Casper, Wyo.

"We made some mental mistakes in the short round and we had a few problems in the long go," Luthi said. "I don't want to make excuses, but we just didn't compete up to par."

UTM's Scotty NeSmith won the bareback average, while his teammate Whit Ashe

was second in the average. UTM's Russ Ratkowski finished fourth in the average.

UTM picked up some points in the saddle bronc, when Jason Forsythe turned in a 76-point ride in the second go.

Ashe claimed second in the average with 144 points on two.

In the steer wrestling, UTM's Boyd Quinley finished third in the average, while Ty Atchison was fourth in the short go and average.

Curtis Griffin finished second in the bull riding average with an 82-point ride.

On the women's side, UTM finished fourth with 55 points.

Kelly Miller finished second in the goat tying long go with a time of 7.8.

Miller was fourth in the short go with a time of 8.9 and third in the average with 16.7 on two.

The UTM rodeo team returns to action Thursday-Saturday, April 21-23 when it travels to Mississippi State University.

While Luthi was not overly excited about the third-place finish, he was pleased with the crowd each night at the UTM rodeo.

"We had great crowds and we hope everyone enjoyed the rodeo."

## Softball loses first OVC series of 2005 season to Eastern Kentucky

Sports Information

The Skyhawk (26-12/10-5 OVC) softball team salvaged a win in a three-game Ohio Valley Conference series this weekend at Eastern Kentucky (14-20/ 6-9 OVC).

After dropping both games in Saturday's doubleheader, the Skyhawks earned a 7-2 victory Sunday afternoon.

The Skyhawks piled up 12 hits in the 7-2 win and senior Nicole Davis claimed her 12th win of the season.

Davis pitched all seven innings and scattered seven hits and five walks. She struck out four and gave up two earned runs.

"We finally started hitting the ball all over the place today," said Donley Canary, the Skyhawks' fourth-year head coach.

Senior Kristin Runyan led the effort with two doubles and an RBI. Runyan went three-for-four at the plate.

Megan Mizell, Kristin Hogan and Christa Webb had two hits each.

Webb hit her second home run of the week and drove in four runs in the game.

Eastern Kentucky swept Saturday's doubleheader, winning the first game 3-0 and claiming the sweep with a 7-4 win in the second game.

In the second game, EKU roughed up Skyhawk pitcher Megan Mizell in one and one-third innings of work.

Mizell was tagged for five hits and six earned runs. She faced 10 hitters.

The Skyhawks managed nine hits in the game but failed to take advantage of four EKU errors.

Brandy Whalen, Runyan, and Fallon Lowery had two hits each for the Skyhawks.

The Skyhawks return to action Tuesday afternoon, April 19 when they travel to Saint Louis for a non-conference doubleheader.

The Skyhawks will return to OVC action Thursday, April 21 when they host Austin Peay in a doubleheader at Bettye Giles Field. The first game is set for 2 p.m.

They will then face Jacksonville State for a three game series on Sat. and Sun.



MATT MAXEY / The Pacer

**A UTM cowboy hangs on during the saddle bronc competition at last weekend's UTM rodeo. The men finished third and the women finished fourth overall.**

## Baseball drops series, wins one against OVC foe Tennessee Tech over weekend

UTM Sports Information

The Skyhawks (8-24/3-8 OVC) defeated host Tennessee Tech (8-27/3-8 OVC) 3-2 in the second game of a three-game Ohio Valley Conference series this weekend.

However, the Skyhawks came up short in the series as Tech claimed the first game 5-2 and the third game 8-0.

Justin Bryant earned his third

win of the season by pitching six innings in the 3-2 victory Saturday.

Bryant scattered nine hits and gave up two earned runs. The junior right-hander is 3-4 on the season.

Junior Brett Spivy went two-for-three at the plate with a home run. Zane Gresback, a junior college transfer, went one-for-two at the plate with two runs scored.

Nick Luper went two-for-two in the game.

The Skyhawks scored a run in the third to tie the game at 1-1 and then scored again in the fifth to tie the game at 2-2. Spivy's home run in the sixth was the game-winner.

Tech won the opening game of the series 5-2 with a four-run eighth inning. Spivy collected two of the Skyhawks' seven hits in the game.

Tech claimed the series with an 8-0 shutout in game three.

The Skyhawks managed four hits and committed three errors. Gresback, the designated hitter, had two of

the Skyhawks' four hits in the game.

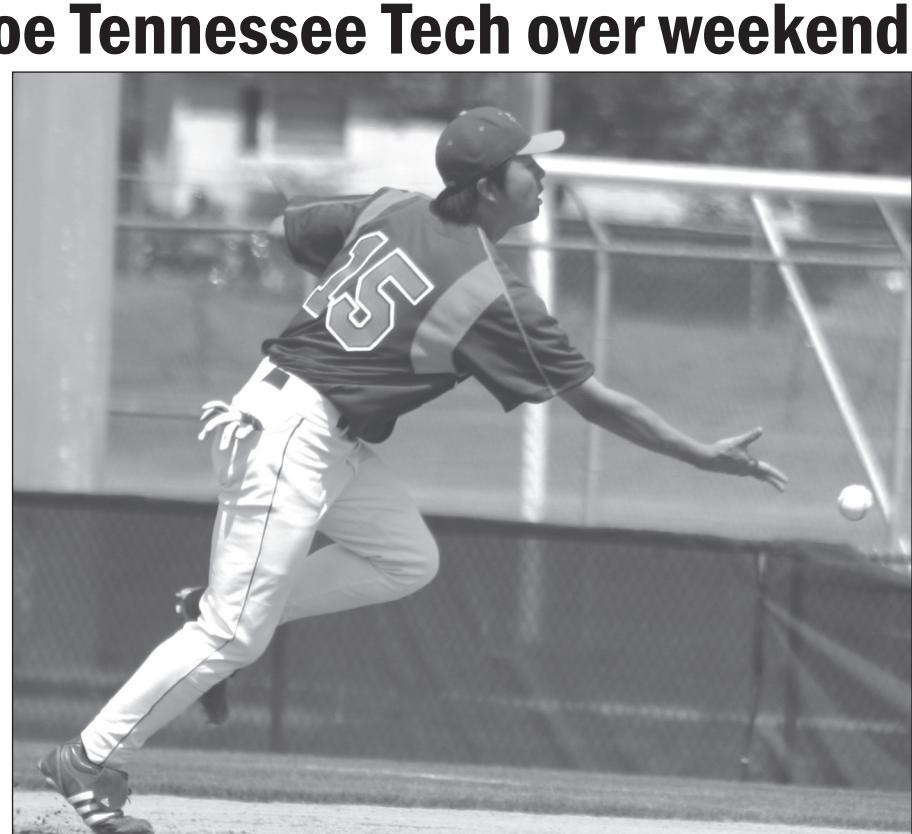
The Skyhawks return to action at 3 p.m., Tuesday, April 19 when they host Southern Illinois at Skyhawk Field.

The Skyhawks will return to OVC action this weekend, April 23 and 24 when they host Austin Peay in a three-game series.

Action gets under way at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 23 with a doubleheader.

### Upcoming Skyhawk Baseball

4/19	3:00 PM	Southern Illinois
4/20	3:00 PM	Lipscomb
4/23	1:00 PM	Austin Peay (2)
4/24	1:00 PM	Austin Peay
4/26	3:00 PM	Mississippi Valley State
4/27	3:00 PM	Belmont
4/30	1:00 PM	Murray State (2)
5/1	1:00 PM	Murray State
5/3	3:00 PM	@ Belmont
5/7	1:00 PM	@ Jacksonville State (2)



TONY MARBLE / Tennessee Tech University

Hideaki Sato stretches out to make the throw during one of the games against Tennessee Tech in Cookeville last weekend.

# Skyhawk of the Week

**Amy Eddings**  
Sports Editor

The Skyhawk women's tennis team has been named "Skyhawk of the Week" for the week of April 19-25. The team picked up the O'Reilly's OVC women's tennis championship over the weekend in Nashville.

The team went undefeated during the regular season, clinching the No. 1 seed going into the tournament.

They defeated Jacksonville State in the first round 4-0 of the tournament and then faced No. 2 seed Murray State in the second round.

They defeated the Lady Racers 4-3 on Sunday to clinch the title.

The team (pictured on the right) is made up of: back row (from left to right) Sari Nortje, Mary Beth Gunn, Katrina Domela, Lindsey Mazzetti (graduate assistant) Monica Bertram; front row (from left to right) Coach Dennis Taylor, Elizma Schoopenees, Dr. Jon Seinbrecher, Jeanne de Wet, Gayatri Ramesh, and Elly Shearman.

Nortje, Domela



and Schoonees, on the All-OVC first team.

Shearman was named to the all-conference's second team and Taylor was named the Coach of the Year.

Nortje was named the OVC's Player of the Year.

The championship gives the Skyhawk's a place in the NCAA regionals next month. The site

of the tournament has not been set as of right now, but the Skyhawks could possibly have the most home court advantage as one of the speculated sites is Vanderbilt University.

The women's tennis team's conference championship victory marked the first time that the team has won a conference championship since they won them back to back in 1994-1995 under Coach Taylor.

This championship is also the first conference tournament title that UTM has won since the volleyball team won the regular season in 2001 and the conference tournament in 2002.



If you have suggestions for "Skyhawk of the Week", E-mail them to [pacer\\_sports@mars.utm.edu](mailto:pacer_sports@mars.utm.edu)

## Skyhawk football spring game set for Thursday night

**Amy Eddings**  
Sports Editor

The Skyhawk football team wraps up spring practice this Thursday night with the annual spring game at 7 p.m. at Graham Stadium.

Everyone is invited to come and get a first look at the 2005 squad.

The scrimmage will have a different point system than that of normal games. For example, when the offense scores a touchdown, it will still be worth the standard six points. However, if the defense makes it into the end zone, the TD will be worth 10 points.

Points will also be given out for other accomplishments on the field such as first downs, interceptions, fumble recoveries, etc., etc.



Cornerback Jack Greenwood lunges after running back Donald Chapman during Saturday morning's scrimmage.

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